1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 9 10 JAMES KELLY, Case No. C08-261 MJP 11 Plaintiff, 12 ORDER DENYING v. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION 13 REED HOLTGEERTS, et al., 14 Defendants. 15 16 This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's motion for punitive damages. (Dkt. 17 No. 49.) After reviewing the motion and Defendants' response (Dkt. No. 50), the Court 18 DENIES the motion for the reasons stated below. 19 After reviewing thorough briefing by the parties and the recommendation by Magistrate 20 Judge Brian Tsuchida, this Court granted Defendants' motion for summary judgment and 21 dismissed this action on November 25, 2008. (See Dkt. Nos. 47 & 48.) Plaintiff's current 22 motion, alleging evidentiary errors in Defendants' summary judgment motion, is untimely. 23 At most, Plaintiff's current motion could be construed as a motion for reconsideration of 24 the Court's November 25, 2008 order. To succeed on a motion for reconsideration, Plaintiff 25 must demonstrate a manifest error in the Court's ruling or make a showing of new facts or legal 26 authority which could not have been brought to the Court's attention earlier with reasonable 27 ORDER — 1

diligence. See Local Civil Rule 7(h). Plaintiff currently attacks the evidentiary sufficiency of Kathryn Hall's declaration, which Defendants filed on September 4, 2008. Plaintiff could have raised this issue before the November 25, 2008 dismissal. Because Plaintiff has not met the standard required for reconsideration, this motion must be DENIED. The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this order to all counsel of record and mail a copy to Plaintiff. Dated: December 15, 2008 Marshy Melins Marsha J. Pechman U.S. District Judge 

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